

ARTICLE ON RUSSIAN PERFINS

This work has been written and translated by PETER WALKER, a friend of Boris Pritt and member of The British Society of Russian Philately. It is dedicated to Boris and much of the information in the article is from Boris' collection, from fellow members of the BSRP and our own members who sent details of their collection to Boris after he placed a plea in the Bulletin. Acknowledgement is also given to Paul Mazur, former President of the Moscow Philatelic Society, and the late Vojtech Maxa.

The article is 25 pages of A4 size: 13 pages of text, 7 of tabulated data and 5 of illustrations. It is concerned only with the perfins used on Imperial Russian postage stamps, the most common usage being between 1910 and 1918.

There are sections on Private Perfins, Official Perfins, Moscow Perfins, Perfins from other Offices, Punch Holes and general historical background to their use and usage. I must admit the tabulated data was 'beyond my ken' but I have little doubt that if you have Russian Perfins the tables will make sense.

I am a firm believer in research and the passing on of knowledge and this article will be a considerable aid to anyone who wishes to have a collection of Russian Perfins.

Peter Robinson has agreed to bind the booklet for me and I shall then pass it to the Librarian from whom you can obtain copy in the usual way.